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SUBJ: ELECTION OF MOHAMMED DAOUD

1. FOLLOWING ITEM FOR BROADCAST ON VOA BREAKFAST SHOW.
2. AFGHANISTAN'S LOYA JIRGAH (GRAND NATIONAL ASSEMBLY) TODAY (FEBRUARY 14) ELECTED MOHAMMED DAOUD PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF AFGHANISTAN FOR A SIX YEAR TERM. THUS, FOLLOWING ITS RATIFICATION YESTERDAY OF THE COUNTRY'S FIRST REPUBLICAN CONSTITUTION, THE JIRGAH COMPLETED THE MAJOR TASKS FOR WHICH IT HAD BEEN ASSEMBLED ABOUT TWO WEEKS AGO. THE JIRGAH SPENT MOST OF ITS TIME ON A DETAILED STUDY OF THE TEXT OF A DRAFT CONSTITUTION PRESENTED TO IT BY THE HEAD OF STATE FOLLOWING A LONG PERIOD OF INTENSIVE REVIEW BY A 20-MEMBER CONSTITUTIONAL COMMISSION.
3. PRESIDENT DAOUD HAS HERETOFORE BEEN HEAD OF STATE AND PRIME MINISTER OF THE REPUBLICAN GOVERNMENT WHICH FOLLOWING THE REVOLUTION OF JULY 1973 REPLACED THE COUNTRY'S FORMER MONARCHICAL REGIME. THE NEW CONSTITUTION PROVIDES FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A NATIONAL PARLIAMENT (MILLI JIRGAH) AND A NUMBER OF INSTITUTIONAL CHANGES IN THE GOVERNMENT, WHICH ARE TO BE ACCOMPLISHED BY THE

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END OF A TRANSITION PERIOD OF ALMOST THREE YEARS.  
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